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City of Kingston Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Kingston Planning Office, City Hall 420 Broadway Kingston, NY 12401

RE: Comments in regard to the Kingston 2025 Comprehensive Plan Document

Dear Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee and Kingston Planning Board:

I am a City of Kingston resident who is concerned about the future of the City of Kingston. Thank you for preparing The Comprehensive Plan document entitled Kingston 2025.

In the Section regarding promoting a Sustainable Citywide Land Use Policy, I would also hope that the City of Kingston highly promotes landscaping guidelines and tree growing guidelines that will encourage the growing and maintenance of new and existing trees and promote landscaping and the growing of other type of shrubs and bushes for new and existing buildings. The City should have better guidelines for home owners, landlords and business owners to plant trees and encourage citizens to do so. Tree management should be promoted and legal guidelines should be established to protect trees from being cut down (unless diseased) and to protect trees from being butchered from electrical companies such as Central Hudson.

The City of Kingston should also have an anti-littering campaign or partner with the County of Ulster to promote and organize such a campaign.

In regard to tourism, the City of Kingston should promote its plethora of historic buildings in all three districts – downtown, midtown and uptown. The City should have at least 2 or 3 visitor stations (uptown, midtown and downtown) to promote tourism. Maps and brochures should be provided. Self-guided tours through phone apps and written maps should be established.

More attention should also be given to promoting Art Galleries and Art Industries throughout the City. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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